

Post-Office Notifications

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A mail ship closes

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow, 24th instant, the 23rd instant, at 3.30 P.M.
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In consequence of the non-arrival of French mail from Yokohama, the departure of the French mail for Hongkong has been postponed: the time to be fixed closing the mails by mail will be notified after.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 22nd Sept., 3.45 A.M., 1870.

MAILS BY THE "ENGLISH PACKET"

The English Contract Packet "ELLERRE" will be dispatched with the usual mails to Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 23rd instant at noon.

Money Orders on any of the Money Offices of the United Kingdom will be granted F.R.M. on the 28th instant.

The Post-Office will be open until 8 P.M. on the 28th instant.

Letters, &c., may be posted during the 10 A.M. in the box left open for their reception.

Letters for registration will be received 10 A.M. on the 29th instant.

Letters may be posted until 10 A.M. of 28th instant, without extra fee.

Letters posted after 10 A.M. on the 29th instant will be sent by the 30th instant.

18 cents extra as well as the postage is paid.

The Latest time for posting Letters at Amoy is 11 A.M., and for Newspapers, Books, &c., 10 A.M. on the 29th instant.

Late letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom & *Marcella*, or the Cape, may be posted on the 29th instant from 11.30 A.M. to the time of sailing, on payment of a *Late Fee* of 48 cents each in addition to the postage.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1870.

It is hereby notified that henceforward rates of postage which must be paid in advance, on Packets of printed paper patterns of light weight, sent by mail to the United Kingdom by the United States

Packets via San Francisco, will be as follows:
 For a packet not exceeding 1 ounce 2-
 For a packet above 1 ounce and not ex- 3-
 ceeding 2 ounces 4-
 For a packet above 2 ounces not ex- 5-
 ceeding 4 ounces 8-
 and eight-cents for every additional four-ounce.
 These rates apply to Printed Circulars,
 Lists, Market Reports, and all printed ma-
 ter other than Newspapers, as well as to
 and Trade Patterns or Samples.

F. W. MITCHELL,
 General Post Office, Postmaster General
 Hongkong, 12th April, 1870.

LETTERS, &c., ADDRESSED "LONDON"

Only.
Many persons are in the habit of addressing Letters, &c., for well-known Firms and Individuals, to "London" only; but this practice is not unfrequently occasions delay in such Letters reaching their proper owners. To obviate this cause, however well the Firm or Individual may be known, it is necessary that the person for whom a letter is intended may be known to be essentially, to ensure its correct delivery, that the letter be directed to the residence, and the number of the house, to form a part of the address.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster-General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 31st January, 1870.

It is hereby notified for general information by order of His Excellency Sir RICHARD GRAVES, MACDONNELL, that the system of registration has been, from this date, extended to Letters and other communications of importance transmitted by the Post, in the Mail, both the British Contract Packets or other regular Mail, and the Chinese Mail, and the Agency for them in China and Japan, at the Post Office, No. 10, Cross Street, Singapore, at Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, Ningpo, &c., and at Nagasaki, Hiogo, and Yokohama, and elsewhere.

The fee for registration is 8 cents each, and 4 cents for each additional letter.

No Letter, Book, or packet of patterned paper, or of any other kind, will be accepted, as well as the registration fee, be paid in advance in postage stamps.

Letters, &c., for registration will be received by the Mail before the time fixed for closing the Mails.

F. W. MITCHELL.
Postmaster General

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 13th October, 1869.

It is hereby notified for general information that on and after the 1st August next Commission chargeable on Money Orders issued upon the United Kingdom at Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Yokohama will be as follows, viz. :—

On sums not exceeding £2	3s 6d
Above £2 and not exceeding £5	3s 6d
Above £5 and not exceeding £10	5s 4d
Above £10 and not exceeding £100	7s 6d
Above £100	10s 0d

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 15th July, 1870.

It is hereby notified for general information that under the provisions of an additional Act of Parliament, the United Kingdom Post Office, a further reduction has taken place in the postage on Letters between the United Kingdom and the United States, which are forwarded to Letters forwarded through the United Kingdom.

The postage chargeable on Letters post to Hongkong, or at any of the British Colonies, or to China, Japan, or the United States, to be forwarded by either a British or French Packet, will henceforth be as follows, viz:—

When forwarded by a British, 42 cents per half-ounce.

When forwarded by a French Packet, 36 cents per half-ounce.

When forwarded by a Sardinian Packet, 28

each half-ounce.

Preparation of the postage is compulsory.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 14th February, 1870.

It is hereby notified for general information that, under the provisions of a Treasury warrant dated the 7th December last, the same being in relation to the proposed introduction of Weight having half-ounce value, the postage on letters sent to all ports of destination forwarded by this Office and any of its Ports in China, and Japan, and to the Colonies, has been determined to be 1/2d. The same has been accordingly addressed to Manila, Batavia, Saigon, Hongkong, Amoy, Swatow, Singapore, Penang, Malacca, Ceylon, India, Suez, Malta, and Ionian Islands, Gibraltar, and Spain, and Portugal via Gibraltar.

The rate has been chargeable in future letters addressed to these places will be 1/2d. advance by a single rate of postage for half-ounce.

F. W. MITCHELL.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 14th February, 1870.

It is hereby notified for general information that the Money Orders drawn on the United Kingdom upon Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama, will be paid at the rate of exchange of the day of the receipt of the same of such Orders at the place of destination as hitherto, at the rate of Exchange at the time their presentation.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 29th August, 1870.

It is hereby notified for general information that the Money Orders addressed to the General Post Office, Hongkong, and forwarded to the Southamptons, hereafter, be 3d cents for each half, and the same to be paid at the place of destination, be left to be collected on delivery of the Letters to the United States. Letters will be subject to an additional charge on delivery.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 29th August, 1870.

